

BRIDLINGTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH  
FOR THE YEAR 1943.

BY

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INCLUDING THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE  
SANITARY INSPECTOR.

A. RIDOUT, M.S.I.A., A.R.S.I., CERT. R. SAN. I.,  
A.F.A.S., A.R.P.S.  
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PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

P.D.H. Chapman. B.A., M.B., B.Ch., (Camb)

SANITARY INSPECTOR.

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S.H.Snell.

BRIDLINGTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1943.

"Woodrow",  
Trinity Road,  
Bridlington.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report on the Health of the Rural District during the year 1943.

In conformity with directions from the Ministry of Health, the content of the Report has been drastically reduced.

There has been no change in the Hospital and Sanatorium provision or in the Laboratory facilities.

There has been a change in your Public Health Staff Mr. Albert Ridout having been appointed Sanitary Inspector in place of Mr. Over who resigned to take up another appointment.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

Area..... 62828 acres.  
Population estimated for 1943..... 7883 for birth rate,  
death rate and  
Infectious diseases.

Separate Families..... 2544  
Separate houses and other  
dwellings on Dec 31st, 1943..... 3341  
Rateable value of the district  
on December 31st. 1943..... £ 31.590.  
Product of a penny rate on  
March 31st. 1943..... £ 110-6-11

VITAL STATISTICS.

Population..... 7883    M.    F.    Birth rate per 1000 the estimated  
resident population..... 18.39.

Live Births.	{ Legitimate	67	68	Stillbirths { Legitimate } Rate per 1000 Alive ( Illgit. ) and Still births 52.28.
	{ Illgit.	5	5	
Still Births.	{ Legitimate	5	3	
	{ Illgit.	-	-	

Deaths..... 36    40    Death Rate per 1000 of estimated population 9.62.

Deaths from Puerperal causes (Headings 29 & 30 of the Registrar General's short List-

Rates per 1000 (Live and still births )

No. 29. puerperal sepsis..... 0  
No. 30. other puerperal causes..... 0

Death rate of infants under one year of age :-

All infants per 1000 live births..... 20.69.  
Legitimate infants per 1000 legitimate live births ..... 20.69.  
Illgitimate infants per 1000 illegitimate births..... Nil.  
Deaths from Measles ( All ages)..... Nil.  
Deaths from Diarrhoea ... ( under 2 years of age)..... Nil

Case rate of certain infectious diseases per 1000 total population.  
Case rate of puerperal Fever and Pyrexia given per 1000 total births.





BRIDLINGTON RURAL DISTRICT.

Small Pox.	Scarlet Fever.	Diphtheria.	Enteric Fever Group.	Puerperal Fever & Pyrexia.	Erysipelas.	Pneumonia.
-	1.64	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00 per 1000	0.24
		<u>ENGLAND AND WALES.</u>				
	3.01	0.86	0.02	11.68	0.31	1.34
		<u>DISEASES NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR EXCLUDING TUBERCULOSIS.</u>				

DISEASE	TOTAL NOTIFIED.	ADMITTED TO SANATORIUM.	DEATHS.
Puerperal ) Pyrexia. )	0	-	-
Scarlet Fever.	13	5	0
Diphtheria.	2	1	0
Cerebro Spinal ) Fever. )	1	-	0
Pneumonia.	2	2	2
Erysipelas.	0	0	0
Whooping ) Cough. )	2	-	0
Measles.	225	-	-
Scabies.	27	27	0

TUBERCULOSIS

The following are the number of cases on my Tuberculosis Register at the end of December. 1943.

	PULMONARY	NON PULMONARY.
	Males..... 20	Males..... 8
	Females... 12	Females... 11
	Total <u>32</u>	Total <u>19.</u>
New Cases Certified.	Males.... 3	Males..... 1
	Females.. 2	Females... 0
	Total <u>5</u>	Total <u>1</u>

BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS.

EXAMINATION.	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE.	TOTAL.
Sputum for T.B. Bacilli	2	7	9
Swabs for Diphtheria.	1	12	13
Blood Widal	0	1	1
Wasserman Reaction	1	0	1
Totals	4	20	24



SHELTERS.

There were no shelters erected during the year, the present shelters accommodate six hundred and ninety six persons.

These shelters are periodically inspected by the Sanitary Inspector in order to see that they are kept in a state of cleanliness.

PUBLIC HEALTH MATTERS RELATED TO THE WAR.

On the outbreak of War nine hundred and sixty six evacuees were received into the district. By December 31st.1943 the total remaining numbered one hundred and ten, such small numbers did not call for any extraordinary Public Health activity.

Mr.Albert.Ridout, Sanitary Inspector also acted as Mortuary Superintendent and Casualty Officer.

Plans for reforming Local Government are again being put forward.

The procedure seems briefly to be as follows:


The Borough prepare to eat up the little fish, The Districts, but find themselves threatened by the open jaws of the County Councils, the County Councils in their turn are menaced by a still larger fish variously called Region or Multipurpose Authority which themselves are in fear of digestion by the great whale of Whitehall. The whole thing may be likened to a ~~Fugue~~ on a theme of Cannibalism. The composition seems likely to end in unpleasing discords.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

*P.D.H. Chapman*

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.



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## BRIDLINGTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR 1943.

To the Chairman, and Members of the Bridlington Rural District Council.

I have the honour to present to you my first Annual Report of the Sanitary and other work carried out by your Sanitary Inspector for the year ended 31st December. 1943.

The total number of inspections carried out for all purposes during the year was 1563.

#### HOUSING ACT. 1936.

During the year 179 inspections were made and where necessary informal notices were served, 28 revisits were carried out in connection with this work. Difficulties were experienced in getting the repairs carried out owing to the shortage of material and man power.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH ACT. 1936.

Fifty nine nuisances and complaints were received and dealt with :-

##### Summary of Nuisances:

Dirty Dwellings. ....	5.
Offensive and Insanitary Accumulations.	16.
Defective Pail Closets. ....	4.

#### MILK SUPPLIES.

There are two hundred and fifty six Cowkeepers, Producers and Wholesale Traders on the Register, fifty seven of which are also Retail Traders. One Producer is Licenced for the production of Grade "A" T.T. milk and one produces "Accredited" Milk.

During the year one hundred and seventy two inspections of cowsheds and Dairies have been made and as a result of these inspections the following infringements have been dealt with.

Accumulations of manure removed.....	21.
Dirty Cowsheds cleansed and limewashed. ....	35.
Dirty Milking Stools cleansed. ....	13.
Floors replaced or relaid. ....	3.
Dairies Cleansed. ....	7.

Water supply was laid on to two Farms during the year. Previously water had to be carried to these farms from a considerable distance.

#### MEAT AND FOOD INSPECTIONS.

As in previous years the slaughtering of animals for food has been centralised in the Borough of Bridlington, and the inspections of the Food has been carried out by the Bridlington Inspectorate.

This has not done away with the supervision of Meat and Food Shops in the District, and in connection with this work seventy eight inspections have been made. It was found necessary to condemn the following articles of food which was found to be unfit for human consumption and was therefore destroyed.

29½ lbs Bacon.
25 lbs of Pork Luncheon Meat.
11 Tins of Baked Beans.
22 Tins of Condensed Milk.
1 Tin Salmon.

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## WATER SUPPLIES AND SUPERVISION OF WATERWORKS.

Two hundred and sixty three visits and inspections were made in connection with this work. Samples of water were taken from the Hunmanby and Flamborough water supplies for Bacteriological Examination, and all were found to be satisfactory.

## FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS.

There are forty seven Factories and Workshops on the Register and thirty one inspections have been made during the year.

## PUBLIC SCAVENGING WORK.

The work in connection with the removal of household refuse and the emptying of pail closets and privies is carried out by contract in the Parishes of Hunmanby and Flamborough. This was carried out satisfactorily by the Contractors. Seventy six visits were made during the year and all complaints were dealt with.

## SAL VAGE.

During the year the collection of books, waste paper, rags, rubber, bones and scrap iron was carried out, and one hundred and forty eight visits were made in connection with this work.

## SUPERVISION OF SEWAGE WORKS AND DRAINAGE.

Three hundred visits and inspections were made during the year. During the year no major difficulties were encountered. Owing to shortage of Labour, it was not possible to cleanse all the sewer dykes under the control of the Council, but any complaints were investigated and where found necessary the dykes were cleansed.

## INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

During the year eight cases of Scarlet Fever and one case of Diphtheria were reported, all the cases were visited and instructions given. Disinfection was carried out in all cases.

## RATS AND MICE DESTRUCTION.

During the year eight visits and inspections were made in connection with this work, and prebaiting and poisoning carried out in four cases of infestation.

## STATISTICS OF INSPECTION AND VISITS CARRIED OUT DURING THE YEAR.

HOUSING ACT, 1936. ....	179
REVISITS TO ABOVE. ....	54
PUBLIC HEALTH ACT. 1936. ....	118
MILK AND DAIRIES ORDERS. ....	172
WATERWORKS. ....	263
SEWAGE WORKS. ....	146
DRAINAGE. ....	154
BAKEHOUSES. ....	12
TENTS, VANS AND SHEDS. ....	34
CAMPS. ....	26
SALVAGE. ....	148
SCAVENGING. ....	76
FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS. ....	31
DISINFECTIONS. ....	13
FOOD INSPECTIONS. ....	78
RATS AND MICE DESTRUCTION. ....	8
OTHER VISITS. ....	51

Total. .... 1563

I would like to take this opportunity of expressing my thanks to the Council for the support and consideration given to me during the year, also to the Medical Officer of Health Dr. P. D. H. Chapman, the Clerk to the Council Mr. A. S. Makin and his Staff for their interest and help in connection with my duties.

I have the honour to be Mr. Chairman,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

*A. Ridout*

Sanitary Inspector.

Council Offices,  
Midland Bank Chambers,  
Westgate,  
BRIDLINGTON.